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COMBINATION WITH AN ANGIOSCOPE

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RESPONSE

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Please consider the following amendments and/or remarks:

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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